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NOVEL HANSENULA POLYMORPHA GENE CODING FOR

ALPHA 1,6-MANNOSYLTRANSFERASE AND PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF RECOMBINANT GLYCOPROTEINS WITH HANSENULA POLYMORPHA MUTANT STRAIN DEFICIENT IN SAME GENE

## **DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.132**

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- I, Hyun-Ah Kang, hereby declare and state, under penalty of perjury, that;
- I. I am one of the inventors of the above-named patent application (hereafter; present application).
- 2. The attached supplemental figures describe experiments conducted according to the methods of the present application.
- 3. Supplemental Figure 1 describes a sequence alignment between SEQ 1D NO:2 of the present application and the CBS4732 strain of *Hansenula polymorpha*. This figure demonstrates that *Hansenula polymorpha* a-1,6-mannosyltransferase enzymes across different strains have high levels of sequence homology.
- 4. Supplemental Figure 2 describes additional working examples related to Hansenula polymorpha mutant strains comprising expression vectors for the sugar

chain-modifying enzyme N-acetyl glucosaminyltransferase I. Supplemental Figure 2 demonstrates the expression of exogenous N-acetyl glucosaminiyltransferase I in *Hansenula polymorpha*.

- 5. Supplemental Figure 3 describes an analysis of the sugar-chain structure of glycoproteins expressed in *Hansanula polymorpha* mutant strains that express N-acotyl glucosaminyltransferase I. This Figure demonstrates the utility of *Hansanula polymorpha* strains that N-acetyl glucosaminyltransferase I in the production of recombinant glycoproteins.
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